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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Inventor(s): Karen Seibert

For (title): TREATMENT AND PREVENTION OF OTIC DISORDERS WITH COX-2
INHIBITORS ALONE OR IN COMBINATION WITH OTIC AGENTS

1. Type of Application

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A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. § 1.153 (Design) Application

168 Page(s) of Specification
5 Page(s) of Claims

B. Other Papers Enclosed

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1 Page(s) of Express Mail Certificate
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3. Declaration or Oath

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4. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

5. Language

English

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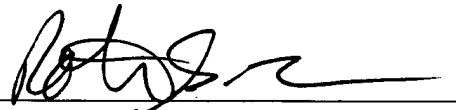
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